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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/587,856	Applicant(s) KAECHI, SHUYA	
	Examiner Ponnoreay Pich	Art Unit 2435	

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 13 September 2010.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☒ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 1,3,4,6,7,9,11,12,14,15,17 and 18 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 2,5,8,10,13 and 16 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claims 1-18 are pending. Applicant's amendments of all pending claims were fully considered.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments were fully considered. Applicant's arguments and petition with respect to the previous restriction requirements were noted. The arguments with respect to the restriction requirements are traversed for reasons already given in previous office actions. Further, applicant's traversal may no longer be relevant as applicant has since amended all the pending claims so they are no longer the same claims which were previously restricted.

With respect to the elected claims, applicant's argues that the prior art does not teach the newly amended limitation of authentication transmission of authentication information to a mobile device when a plurality of response signals are received from one wireless communication device at the response time intervals after a search signal is transmitted, wherein the search signal contains the responsive time interval was persuasive. Elected claims 2 and 10 are allowed over the prior art for this persuasive reason, however, note there are objections made below that applicant must correct.

Claims 5, 8, 13, and 16, which were previously withdrawn and which were amended in the response filed on 9/13/10, are rejoined as per MPEP 821.04 as these claims contain similar limitations as found in claims 2 and 10 which are allowable over the prior art.

Claims 1, 3-4, 6-7, 9, 11-12, 14-15, and 17-18 remain withdrawn, but still pending.

Claim Objections

Claims 2, 5, 8, 10, 13, and 16 are objected to because of the following informalities:

1. In line 2 of claim 2, “wireless communication communication unit” should be “wireless communication unit”.
2. In line 14 of claim 2, “the response time intervals” should be “response time intervals”. Similar corrections should be made in claims 5, 8, 10, 13, and 16.
3. Applicant should fully review the pending claims for any other formalities which may have been inadvertently missed.
4. Appropriate correction is required.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2, 5, 8, 10, 13, and 16 are allowed except for the objections noted above.

Conclusion

This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

There are objections to the allowed claims that must be fixed and there are withdrawn claims which must either be canceled or amended to include limitations found in the claims discussed above as allowed over the prior art so that the withdrawn claims may also be rejoined.

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Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 25 USPQ 74, 453 O.G. 213, (Comm'r Pat. 1935).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO MONTHS** from the mailing date of this letter.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ponnoreay Pich whose telephone number is (571) 272-7962. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00am-4:30pm Mon-Thurs.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kim Vu can be reached on 571-272-3859. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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